

ANNUAL REPORTS
of the
Town of Epsom
New Hampshire

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For the Year Ending
December 31, 1944

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TOWN OFFICERS

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

IN CASE OF FIRE call the telephone operator, tell her where the fire is and ask her to get the Fire Department. *Do not call any individual* as it may mean a delay in telephone conversation.

When sirens blow one long blast repeated three times, fire is in the Town Hall region. Two long blasts repeated three times, fire is in Short Falls area. Three long blasts repeated three times, fire is in New Rye District.

Clarence E. Bartlett, *Chief*

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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

EDWARD B. DEMERS

Selectmen

KARL F. RAND	Term expires 1945
WILLIAM E. YEATON	Term expires 1946
CLIFFORD M. OSBORNE	Term expires 1947

Town Clerk

HAZEL P. STEELE

Treasurer

OLAF A. RING

Representative to General Court

LAURA Y. BICKFORD

Collector of Taxes

CHARLES M. STEELE

Highway Agents

JOHN P. YEATON	District No. 1
MAURICE A. YEATON	District No. 2

Supervisors of Check List

EDWARD E. BARTLETT	VIVIAN PICKARD
JESSE A. HUNT	

Ballot Inspectors

ARTHUR H. SULLIVAN	CHARLES M. STEELE
RUSSELL S. YEATON	LEWIS H. NUTTER
CLARENCE E. BARTLETT	

Auditors

LEWIS H. NUTTER	RUSSELL S. YEATON
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Library Trustees

GEORGE G. RING	Term expires 1945
RALPH E. TOWLE	Term expires 1946
FLORENCE L. YEATON	Term expires 1947

Librarian

HESTER E. BICKFORD

MARJORIE YEATON, Assistant

Cemetery Trustees

WARREN T. FOWLER	Term expires 1945
ELEANORA C. NUTTER	Term expires 1946
OLAF A. RING	Term expires 1947

Trustees of Trust Funds

WARREN T. FOWLER	Term expires 1945
ELEANORA C. NUTTER	Term expires 1946
OLAF A. RING	Term expires 1947

Forest Fire Warden

ARTHUR H. SULLIVAN

Deputy Forest Fire Wardens

ARTHUR A. WELLS HAROLD S. BICKFORD
ERNEST G. DOWST ALMON M. WORTH
ALBERT D. SHERBURNE EDW. B. DEMERS
CLARENCE E. BARTLETT

Health Officer

CLARENCE E. BARTLETT

Chief of Police and Overseer of the Poor

ALBERT J. YEATON

Fire Department Officers

Chief

CLARENCE E. BARTLETT

Deputy Chiefs

HAROLD S. BICKFORD MILLARD J. YEATON
ELDON W. HOWARD

Lieutenants

ALBERT J. YEATON WALTER A. SAWYER
JESSE A. HUNT

Secretary

JOHN DAVIS

Treasurer

FRED W. YEATON

Trustees

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Park Commissioners

WARREN T. FOWLER	BENJ. M. TOWLE
GROVER T. STEVENS	

*Officers of School District**Moderator*

CLARENCE E. BARTLETT

Clerk

FLORENCE L. YEATON

Superintendent of Schools

CHESTER W. DOE

School Board

HAZEL YEATON	Term expires 1945
DORIS A. PHILBRICK	Term expires 1946
WARREN T. FOWLER	Term expires 1947

Treasurer

AMY K. BARTLETT

Auditor

ELEANORA C. NUTTER

Truant Officer

GEORGE G. RING

Budget Committee

LEWIS H. NUTTER	Term expires 1944
ALBERT J. YEATON	Term expires 1944
WILLIAM H. KNOWLES	Term expires 1944
HENRY DOWST	Term expires 1945
HARRY SILVER	Term expires 1945
GEORGE H. YEATON	Term expires 1945
EDWARD B. DEMERS	Term expires 1946
LAURA Y. BICKFORD	Term expires 1946
FRANK E. BROWN	Term expires 1946
HAZEL YEATON	Member of School Board
KARL F. RAND	Member Board of Selectmen

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Epsom in the County of Merrimack in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Epsom on Tuesday, the Thirteenth day of March, next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.
3. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$10.00 for the observance of Memorial Day.
4. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for the White Pine Blister Rust control.
5. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$552.46 for the construction and maintenance of Class V Roads, T.R.A. so called; the state to contribute \$2,209.83.
6. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$544.50 for the purchase of tar for Class V Roads, T.R.A. so called.
7. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for the purchase of land for a town dump.

8. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,854.50 for the final payment on the snow plow note.

9. To see what discount, if any, the town will allow on all property taxes paid previous to July 15, 1945.

10. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow such sums of money as may be necessary in anticipation of taxes.

11. To see if the Town will vote to support United States membership in a general system of international co-operation, such as that proposed at the Dumbarton Oaks Conference, having police power to maintain the peace of the world.

12. To transact any other business that may legally be brought before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 24th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-five.

KARL F. RAND,
WILLIAM E. YEATON,
CLIFFORD M. OSBORNE
Selectmen of Epsom.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

KARL F. RAND,
WILLIAM E. YEATON,
CLIFFORD M. OSBORNE
Selectmen of Epsom.

BUDGET OF THE

*Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the
Compared
Actual Revenue and Expenditures of the*

Sources of Revenue	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1944	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1945	Increase	Decrease
<i>From State:</i>				
Interest and Dividends Tax.....	\$226.21	\$226.21	.....	.....
Railroad Tax	56.81	56.81	.....	.....
Savings Bank Tax	744.17	744.17	.....	.....
<i>From Local Sources Except Taxes:</i>				
Interest Received on Taxes and deposits	8.40	10.00	\$1.60	.....
<i>Income of Departments:</i>				
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees.....	579.30	550.00	.....	\$29.30
Cash on Hand (Surplus)	2,000.00	2,038.78	38.78	.....
<i>From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:</i>				
(a) Poll Taxes—Regular at \$2.00..	732.00	700.00	.....	32.00
(b) Bank Stock	8.00	8.00	.....	.....
Total Revenues from All Sources Except Property Taxes.....	\$4,354.89	\$4,333.97	\$40.38	\$61.30
*Amt. to be raised by property taxes	.....	\$22,937.57	.....	.....
Total Revenues .....	.....	\$27,271.54	.....	.....

*Total estimated "Revenues from All Sources except Property Taxes" deducted from Total estimated "Expenditures" should give estimated "Amount to be raised by Property Taxes."

TOWN OF EPSOM

Ensuing Year January 1, 1945 to December 31, 1945

with

Previous Year February 1, 1944 to December 31, 1944

Purposes of Expenditures	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1944	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1945	Increase	Decrease
<i>Current Maintenance Expenses:</i>				
<i>General Government:</i>				
Town Officers' Salaries	\$835.00	\$775.00	.....	\$60.00
Town Officers' Expenses and Supplies	522.73	600.00	\$77.27	.....
Election and Registration Expenses	56.35	25.00	.....	31.35
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	79.88	50.00	.....	29.88
<i>Protection of Persons and Property:</i>				
Police Department	100.00	100.00	.....	.....
Fire Department	1,053.52	550.00	.....	503.52
Moth Extermination—Blister Rust .....	.....	400.00	400.00	.....
<i>Insurance & Bonding:</i>				
Health:	464.13	500.00	35.87	.....
Health Department, including hospitals	18.80	50.00	31.20	.....
Vital Statistics	24.25	25.00	.75	.....
Town Dumps .....	.....	50.00	50.00	.....
<i>Highways and Bridges:</i>				
Class V Unimproved	1,340.48	1,200.00	.....	140.48
Town Maintenance, Class V Improved	1,142.60	1,000.00	.....	142.60
1943 Duncan Fund .....	.....	155.20	155.20	.....
Special Tar Appropriation .....	.....	444.80	444.80	.....
Town Road Aid T.R.A. Class V State Aid Construction and Maintenance	470.07	552.46	82.39	.....
Swamp Road Appropriation	500.00	.....	.....	500.00
Snow Removal	1,281.03	2,000.00	718.97	.....
Libraries:	200.00	300.00	100.00	.....
<i>Public Welfare:</i>				
Town Poor	50.00	200.00	150.00	.....
Old Age Assistance	1,355.89	1,600.00	244.11	.....
<i>Patriotic Purposes:</i>				
Memorial Day and Other Celebrations	50.00	10.00	.....	40.00
<i>Recreation:</i>				
Parks & Playgrounds	50.00	50.00	.....	.....
<i>Interest:</i>				
On Temporary Loans	21.00	21.00	.....	.....
On Long Term Notes	49.95	25.00	.....	24.95
<i>Highways and Bridges</i>				
Repairs to Snow Equipment .....	.....	200.00	200.00	.....
<i>Indebtedness:</i>				
Payment on Principal of Debt:				
Long Term Notes .....	.....	2,854.50	2,854.50	.....
<i>Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:</i>				
County Taxes	1,520.58	1,520.58	.....	.....
Payments to School Districts	11,113.00	12,013.00	900.00	.....
Total Expenditures	\$22,299.26	\$27,271.54	\$6,445.06	\$1,472.78

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

INVENTORY FOR 1944

Lands and buildings		\$576,740.00
Growing wood and timber		21,450.00
Electric plants		20,810.00
Horses	78	9,815.00
Mules	2	300.00
Cows	388	37,325.00
Oxen	4	450.00
Neat	88	6,725.00
Sheep	42	510.00
Fowl	32,968	29,474.00
Hogs	2	35.00
Portable Mills		3,750.00
Wood and lumber		55,799.00
Gasoline pumps and tanks		3,700.00
Stock in trade		16,608.00
 Total valuation		 \$794,386.00
Soldiers' exemption		8,940.00
 Valuation on which tax is assessed		 \$785,446.00

Tax Rate \$2.80 on \$100.00

Regular \$2.00 Poll taxes \$680.00

Special \$3.00 Poll taxes \$1,062.00

National Bank Stock taxes \$8.00

**FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1944**

ASSETS

Cash on hand	\$7,459.58
In hands of road agent	89.20
In hands of police officer	11.38
In hands of health officer	39.75
In hands of treasurer (Duncan fund, 1943)	155.20
Bounties due town	21.00
One half forest fire bill (\$487.22)	243.61
Unredeemed 1943 taxes (since collected)	4.62
Uncollected taxes, 1944	271.25
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	\$8,295.59

LIABILITIES

Special \$3.00 poll taxes uncollected due state	\$15.00
Due School District, dog licenses	152.60
Balance School District appropriation	5,113.00
Unexpended Duncan fund	155.20
Due Suncook Bank, snow plow note	2,854.50
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	\$8,290.30
Surplus	\$5.29

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$3,900.00
Furniture and Equipment	400.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	1,500.00
Furniture and Equipment	3,000.00
Police Department, Lands and Buildings	100.00
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	200.00
Equipment	6,000.00
Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	1,000.00
Equipment	8,300.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	8,000.00
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Total	\$32,400.00

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand February 1, 1944	\$6,716.47
Suncook Bank, temporary loan	3,000.00
Suncook Bank, long term note	2,854.50
Jackman & Lang, refund on insurance	183.47
Sale of town property	390.00
Mayland Ames, tax sale	300.00
A. J. Yeaton, road machine	2.00

State Treasurer:

Hedgehog bounties, 1942	\$11.20
Hedgehog bounties, 1943	42.50
Forest fire bill	15.33
Savings Bank tax	744.17
Interest and dividends tax	226.21
Railroad tax	56.81
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1,096.22

Charles M. Steele, collector, 1944:

Taxes and interest	23,369.84
Redemptions	327.66
Bank stock tax	8.00
1943 poll taxes	8.00
1942-43 abatements	45.80
Discounts	238.78
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23,998.08

G. G. Ring, collector, 1943:

Taxes and interest	571.39
Poll taxes	72.00
Redemptions	75.71
Discounts and abatements	122.65
Poll tax abatements	18.00
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859.75

Ernest G. Dowst, tar on driveway	51.80
Harry Silver, tar on driveway	6.48
New Rye Cemetery Ass'n	9.71
New Rye Church	9.71
	—————
	77.70

Hazel P. Steele:

Balance 1943-44 auto tax	1.67
1944-45 auto tax	577.63
1944 dog tax	242.94
Candidates fees	6.00
	—————
	828.24
Arthur H. Sullivan, refund on fire bill	25.00
	—————
Total receipts	\$40,331.43
	—————
Less Selectmens orders No. 551 to 727 inclusive	32,871.85
	—————
Balance on hand January 1, 1945	\$7,459.58

O. A. Ring,
Treasurer.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Detail 1—Town Officers Salaries

Karl F. Rand, Selectman	\$125.00
William E. Yeaton, Selectman	100.00
Clifford M. Osborne, Selectman	100.00
Olaf A. Ring, Treasurer	100.00
Hazel P. Steele, Clerk	50.00
Edward E. Bartlett, Supervisor	30.00
Vivian Pickard, Supervisor	30.00
Jesse Hunt, Supervisor	30.00
Edward B. Demers, Moderator	9.00
Arthur H. Sullivan, Inspector	9.00
Clarence E. Bartlett, Inspector and Health Officer	11.00
Charles M. Steele, Inspector and Tax Collector	159.00
Russell S. Yeaton, Inspector and Auditor	19.00
Lewis H. Nutter, Inspector and Auditor	13.00
George G. Ring	50.00
	\$835.00

Detail 2—Expenses of Town Officers

N. H. Assessors dues	\$2.00
George G. Ring	30.24
Albert J. Yeaton	33.20
Evans Printing Co.	214.75
George H. Yeaton, envelopes	34.11
Brown & Saltmarsh	17.38
Olaf A. Ring	28.14

Walter B. Sawyer, repairs	1.00
Dorothy P. Osborne, typing	4.00
William E. Yeaton	9.00
Karl F. Rand	10.25
Charles M. Steele	31.00
Suncook Bank, check book	2.00
Hazel P. Steele	86.74
Eleanora C. Nutter	18.92
	—————
	\$522.73

Detail 3—Election and Registration

Katherine A. Crowley, recording deeds	\$40.65
Valley Times	15.00
Frank B. Nay	.10
Vira M. Holmes	.50
Wilfred J. Boisclair	.10
	—————
	\$56.35

Detail 4—Town Hall Expenses

Concord Electric	\$12.00
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	18.00
E. E. Bartlett	29.88
Louis L. Hill, labor	3.50
John P. Yeaton, wood	16.00
Harold P. Steele, labor	.50
	—————
	\$79.88

Detail 5—Police Department

A. J. Yeaton, chief	\$100.00
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Detail 6—Fire Department

Clarence E. Bartlett, chief	\$200.00
A. H. Sullivan, warden	542.87
Town of Pittsfield	185.65
Pembroke Water works, hydrants	125.00
	—————
	\$1,053.52

Detail 7—Insurance and Bonding

Henry L. Stevens	\$75.00
Harriman & Paige	28.00
Harry Silver	64.00
Jackman & Lang	297.03
	—————
	\$464.03

Detail 8—Health Department

Clarence E. Bartlett	\$18.80
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Detail 9—Vital Statistics

Harold P. Steele	\$22.50
F. B. Argue	1.75
	—————
	\$24.25

Detail 10—T.R.A. Construction

N. H. State Treasurer	\$470.07
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Detail 11—Town Road Maintenance

John P. Yeaton:

Improved Class V	\$542.60
Unimproved Class V	740.48
Snow removal	718.08
	—————
	\$2,001.16

Maurice A. Yeaton:

Improved Class V	\$600.00
Unimproved Class V	600.00
Swamp Road app.	500.00
Snow removal	144.25
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	\$1,844.25

Eldon Howard, snow removal \$318.70

SELECTMEN'S REPORT ON SNOW REMOVAL

R. C. Hazelton Co., tractor, snow

H. C. HARRISON CO., tractor, new plow and insurance	\$5,963.90
Roscoe Warren, labor, supplies	41.75
Huckins Oil Co., gas and oil	20.78
Epsom Garage, gas and oil	18.00
Bailey Lumber Co., for tractor tool house	69.75
E. E. Bartlett, labor for tractor tool house	46.09
Silver & Young	1.50
	\$6,161.77

Detail 12—Charities

A. J. Yeaton, old age assistance \$1,355.89
A. J. Yeaton, town poor 50.00

\$1,405.89

Detail 13—Libraries

Florence L. Yeaton \$200.00

Detail 14—Memorial Day

Edward B. Demers, flags \$6.26

John W. Cox, balance of appropriation (Red Cross)

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\$50.00

Detail 15—Webster Park

Warren Fowler	\$50.00
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Detail 16—Tax Sales

George G. Ring	\$134.29
Clarence E. Bartlett, refund	5.00
	—————
	\$139.29

Detail 17—Discounts and Abatements

George G. Ring	\$122.65
Charles M. Steele	302.58
	—————
	\$425.23

Detail 18—County Tax

County Treasurer	\$1,520.58
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Detail 19—Interest

Suncook Bank, temporary loan	\$21.00
Suncook Bank, long term note	49.95
	—————
	\$70.95

Detail 20—Tarring Driveways

State Treasurer	\$77.70
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Detail 21—Bounties

Karl F. Rand	\$19.00
William E. Yeaton	1.00
Hazel P. Steele	1.00
	—————
	\$21.00

Detail 22—*Dog Damage*

John P. Yeaton	\$68.00
A. J. Yeaton	16.50
Hazel P. Steele, dog tags	5.84
	—————
	\$90.34

Detail 23—*Dog Tax*

Amy K. Bartlett, bal. of dog tax	\$193.48
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Detail 24—*Schools*

Amy K. Bartlett, bal. app.	\$10,533.88
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Detail 25—*Special \$3.00 Poll Taxes*

State Treasurer	\$1,143.00
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Detail 26—*Payment Temporary Loan*

Suncook Bank	\$3,000.00
Total	—————
	\$32,871.85

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**For the Year Ending December 31, 1944**

Receipts

Auto registration permits, bal. of 1943-44	\$1.67
Auto registration permits, 1944-45	577.63
Dog licenses for 1944	242.94
Candidate fees	6.00
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	\$828.24

Paid Olaf A. Ring, Treasurer:

Auto registration permits, bal. of 1943-44	\$1.67
Auto registration permits, 1944-45	577.63
Dog licenses for 1944	242.94
Candidate fees	6.00
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	\$828.24

Respectfully submitted,

HAZEL P. STEELE,
Town Clerk.

**REPORT OF CHARLES M. STEELE,
COLLECTOR OF TAXES FOR 1944**

Redemptions

Taxes, Costs and Interest:

James B. Osborne, 1931 tax	\$18.10
Thomas Hillsgrove, 1938-39-40 tax	15.00
Frank W. Stewart, 1941 tax	12.36
Harold Thompson, 1943 tax	7.00
Gertrude R. Foster, 1941-42-43 tax	123.08
Frank and Ruth Foster, 1941-42-43 tax	30.58
Frederic R. Lea, 1941-42 tax	12.52
Harry J. Welch, 1938-39-40 tax	27.00
Edith Kramer, 1940 tax	4.18
Robert Hunt, 1943 tax	36.18
Nellie H. Yeaton, 1942 tax	41.66
	—————
	\$327.66

Abated, Error in Taxation:

Emery and Elevina Fanny, '42 tax	\$36.17
Daniel J. Adell, 1942-43 tax	9.63
	—————
	\$45.80
4 Poll taxes, 1943 levy	\$8.00
Committed for collection for 1944 property taxes	\$21,971.47
354 Poll taxes, special \$3.	1,062.00
340 Poll taxes, regular \$2.	680.00

31 Added Poll taxes, regular \$2.	62.00
32 Added Poll taxes, special \$3.	96.00
Bank Stock tax	8.00
Interest to December 31, 1944	8.40
	—————
	\$23,887.87

Paid to Treasurer:

Property taxes	\$21,486.44
Poll taxes	1,875.00
Discounts	238.78
Bank stock taxes	8.00
Interest to December 31, 1944	8.40
	—————
	\$23,616.62

Uncollected:

5 Poll taxes, at \$5.	\$25.00
Property taxes	246.25
	—————
Total	\$23,887.87

Total Amount of Taxes Paid Treasurer, 1944:

Redemptions, inc. interest	\$327.66
Abatements, 1942-43 unredeemed taxes	45.80
4 Poll taxes, 1943 levy	8.00
Property, Poll, Bank Stock, discounts, interest	23,616.62
	—————
	\$23,998.08

Unredeemed Taxes:

Edgar J. Crondin, 1943 levy	
Paid since Dec. 31, 1944	\$4.62

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of Charles M. Steele, Collector of Taxes for 1944 and find them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

LEWIS H. NUTTER,
RUSSELL S. YEATON,

Auditors.

**REPORT OF GEORGE G. RING, BALANCE OF
TAXES, 1943; COSTS AND INTEREST**

Costs and Interest:

Balance uncollected taxes	\$786.60
Interest	5.44
Unredeemed property	75.71
	—————
	\$867.75
Paid Treasurer	\$637.95
Abatements, poll and property	140.65
Interest	5.44
	—————
	\$784.04
Property redeemed	\$75.71
Uncollected poll taxes	\$8.00
	—————
	\$867.75

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of George G. Ring, Collector of Taxes for 1943 and find them correct and supported by proper vouchers.

LEWIS H. NUTTER,
RUSSELL S. YEATON,

Auditors.

REPORT OF JOHN P. YEATON, ROAD AGENT

WINTER WORK, 1944

John P. Yeaton, plowing	\$332.50
John P. Yeaton, sanding	103.50
John P. Yeaton, labor	20.00
Mayland P. Ames	12.00
Lewis Hill	20.80
Don Wheeler, team and labor	30.00
Lewis Nutter	8.00
Albert F. Yeaton, labor	12.00
William Clark	5.60
Clarence Bartlett	5.00
Orrin Merrill	6.90
Albert F. Yeaton, sand	3.50
Watson Ambrose	15.60
Arthur Roby	13.60
Arthur Sullivan	18.00
Roscoe Warren	36.00
Neil Reid	5.00
George Dowst	4.20
T. B. Langley	8.80
Demers and Steele, gas and oil	25.08
Herbert D. Yeaton	11.00
John Dennis	3.00
Thomas R. Yeaton	3.00
Nelson Osborne	5.00
Aaron Osborne	5.00
John B. Yeaton	5.00

	\$718.08

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN P. YEATON

UNIMPROVED ROADS, 1944

John P. Yeaton, truck and labor	\$109.50
John P. Yeaton, labor	33.00
John P. Yeaton, truck	103.50
John P. Yeaton, tractor and labor	45.00
Ralph Gauthier	4.80
Vernon Hall	2.70
Wheeler Bros., tractor and labor	33.00
Simon Brown	6.00
Nelson Osborne	27.60
Don Wheeler, tractor, team and labor	35.00
Herbert D. Yeaton, truck and labor	40.00
Albert F. Yeaton, truck and labor	59.00
John Dennis	35.50
Lewis Nutter	4.00
John Boyce	2.50
William Clark	8.50
Lewis Hill	18.00
Arthur Sullivan	9.60
Arthur Roby	4.80
T. B. Langley	30.00
George Dowst	4.80
Thomas R. Yeaton	1.80
Neil Reid	5.00
E. M. Kelley	3.00
Hume Pipe Co. of N. E.	94.08
John P. Yeaton, gravel	12.00
W. H. Knowles, supplies	2.80
Bert Sherburne	5.00

	\$740.48

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN P. YEATON

IMPROVED ROADS, 1944

John P. Yeaton, truck and labor	\$74.50
John P. Yeaton, labor	30.00
John P. Yeaton, truck	178.50
Henry L. Stevens, Sr.	13.60
Roscoe Warren	18.00
A. Heidmann	12.00
John B. Yeaton, tractor and labor	55.50
Arthur Roby	18.00
Nelson Osborne	37.80
Vernon Hall	2.10
Lewis Hill	21.00
Orrin Merrill	4.20
George Dowst	4.20
E. M. Kelley	10.75
T. B. Langley	21.00
John P. Yeaton, gravel	4.50
Henry L. Stevens, Jr.	3.60
Simon Brown	10.50
Ralph Gauthier	4.80
Arthur Sullivan	4.80
Charles N. Huckins	2.00
John Boyce	3.25
Neil Reid	8.00

	\$542.60

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN P. YEATON,
Road Agent.

REPORT OF MAURICE YEATON, ROAD
AGENT, DISTRICT NO. 2

IMPROVED

Dana Yeaton	\$3.20
Charles Brock	48.75
M. A. Yeaton	71.25
M. A. Yeaton, truck	81.25
Karl Rand	1.20
State Treasurer	394.35
	—————
	\$600.00

SPECIAL — SWAMP ROAD APPROPRIATION

State Treasurer	\$350.30
Charles Brock	18.00
M. A. Yeaton, truck	26.00
M. A. Yeaton	15.00
Ralph Whitman	1.50
	—————
	\$410.80
Received from Town	\$500.00
Spent	410.80
	—————
Balance on hand	\$89.20

UNIMPROVED

State Treasurer	\$23.87
John Virtue	6.00
Bickford & Huckins	62.28
William Yeaton	6.00
Postage, telephone, money orders	3.17
Upton & Whitcomb	8.64
Charles Gridley	4.00
Albert Stevens	17.00
John Bates	4.00
O. C. Lombard	3.29
James Libby	2.00
Dana Yeaton	26.00
J. P. Yeaton	25.75
Charles Brock	73.50
Leonard Batchelder	16.60
Tom Yeaton	12.00
Ralph Witham	3.00
Karl Rand	15.00
Noah Cofran	.90
N. Scott Munroe	4.50
Bert Ordway	1.50
M. A. Yeaton	111.00
M. A. Yeaton	170.00
	—————
	\$600.00

Respectfully submitted,

MAURICE A. YEATON

SNOW REMOVAL, 1944

Leonard Batchelder	\$11.25
Dana Yeaton	11.25
Charles Brock	9.00
Robert Yeaton	3.00
Harris Mason	6.00
Tom Yeaton	16.00
M. A. Yeaton	38.00
Emery Dowst	8.00
Noah Cofran	3.00
Karl Rand	1.00
William Yeaton	5.25
Fred Yeaton	1.50
Roscoe Warren	5.00
M. A. Yeaton	17.00
Eldon Howard	9.00
	—————
	\$144.25

SPECIAL FUNDS CONTRIBUTED

Received from:

Ralph L. Cass, bulldozer work	\$90.00
Noah Cofran, bulldozer work	10.00
William Yeaton, grading in yard	28.50
Mr. Chase, grading in yard	11.50
	—————
	\$140.00

Paid F. J. Berry Co., bulldozer work	\$100.00
Paid State Treasurer for grading in yard	40.00
	—————
	\$140.00

Received from Town for:

Improved roads	\$600.00
Unimproved roads	600.00
Swamp road	500.00
Snow removal, 1944	144.25
Received from special funds	140.00
	—————
	\$1,984.25
Total expenditures	1,895.05
Balance on hand Dec. 30, 1944	—————
	\$89.20

Respectfully submitted,

MAURICE A. YEATON,

Road Agent, District No. 2.

REPORT OF TOWN ROAD AID
FOR THE TOWN OF EPSOM

	State	Town	Total
Balance	\$776.92	\$194.23	\$971.15
Apportionment	1,103.34	275.84	1,379.18
	—————	—————	—————
	\$1,880.26	\$470.07	\$2,350.33

ALBERT F. YEATON

REPORT OF ALBERT J. YEATON, OVERSEER
OF THE POOR, EPSOM, N. H.

Town Relief Cases from Feb. 1, 1944 to Dec. 31, 1944

Number of cases during year	1
Number of cases at close of year	0
Balance Feb. 1, 1944	\$20.11
Received from Town of Epsom	50.00
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	\$70.11
Paid out for Town Relief	64.62
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	\$5.49

The balance of \$5.49 was transferred to the old age assistance accounts leaving no balance in the hands of the Overseer of the Town Poor.

*Old Age Assistance Cases Chargeable to the
Town of Epsom, N. H.*

1944	Amount of Grant	Town's Share
January Bill, 17 cases	\$950.67	\$237.69
February Bill, 16 cases	428.85	107.21
March Bill, 16 cases	454.54	113.64
April Bill, 16 cases	423.50	105.88
May Bill, 16 cases	433.50	108.38
June Bill, 16 cases	464.00	116.00
July Bill, 16 cases	434.90	108.73
August Bill, 16 cases	431.00	107.75
September Bill, 16 cases	443.75	110.94
October Bill, 16 cases	440.00	110.00
November Bill, 16 cases	540.65	135.16
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		\$1,361.38
Received from Town of Epsom	\$1,355.89	
Received from Town Poor acc't	5.49	
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		\$1,361.38
Paid to the State of New Hampshire		\$1,361.38

Bill for December, 1944 had not been received from State of New Hampshire on December 31, 1944.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT J. YEATON

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Clerk, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Cemetery Trustees, Trust Funds, Library Trustees, Overseer of the Poor, Chief of Police, Fire Chief and Road Agents of the Town of Epsom, and find them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

LEWIS H. NUTTER,
RUSSELL S. YEATON,

Auditors

Epsom, N. H., Feb. 5, 1945

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF EPSOM, N. H., ON DECEMBER 31, 1944

Date of Creation	For Perpetual Care of Cemetery Lots Trust Funds Purpose of Creation	How Invested		Amount of Principal of Rate of Interest	Income during year	Expenditure during year	Balance of Income on hand at beginn- ing of year	Balance of Income on hand at end of year
		In Savings	Bank					
1903	John L. Brackett, by self.....	\$50.00	2%		\$1.18	\$0.00	\$10.77	
1903	S. M. Chesley, by self	50.00	"		1.12	.75	6.87	
1903	J. A. Clough, by self	50.00	"		0.00	1.00	0.00	
1907	Mary A. Swain, by self	50.00	"		1.00	1.01	1.01	
1912	Susan E. P. Forbes, by self	200.00	"		45.82	4.90	5.08	45.64
1915	William McMurphy, by self	25.00	"		0.05	0.50	0.25	0.30
1915	Abbie Hopkinson, by self	1,000.00	"		20.17	20.20	20.17	20.20
1915	C. F. Griffin, by self	50.00	"		0.00	1.00	1.00	0.00
1915	Gen. B. L. Locke, by B. L. Locke	50.00	"		0.00	1.00	1.00	0.00
1915	Morrill Hoyt, by Ebenezer Hoyt	50.00	"		0.23	1.00	1.00	0.23
1915	Mary B. L. Dowst, by self	100.00	"		32.70	2.64	0.89	35.34
1917	Horace Bickford, by self	100.00	"		0.75	2.00	2.25	0.50
1917	Hiram Holmes, by self	100.00	"		32.31	2.64	2.54	32.41
1917	Henry Knox, by self	100.00	"		14.01	2.28	2.28	13.75
1917	Flora E. Burnham, by self	50.00	"		3.43	1.06	1.50	2.99
1917	Sarah N. Holmes	100.00	"		16.83	2.32	2.84	16.31
	(John Wallace lot and Wallace row)							
1917	Mary A. Evans—two lots, by self	400.00	"		83.73	9.66	5.54	87.85
1917	Walter Chesley, by self	50.00	"		5.41	1.10	1.17	5.34
1918	John Cottrell, by Clara Cottrell	100.00	"		2.02	2.02	2.02	2.02
1918	William Sanders, by Clara Cottrell	50.00	"		1.01	1.01	1.01	1.01
1920	Eliza J. Bickford, by self	100.00	"		11.96	2.22	1.00	13.18
1921	John M. Moses, by self	100.00	"		2.02	2.02	2.02	2.02
1921	Sophila Bulfinch, by self	50.00	"		6.81	1.12	2.00	5.93
1922	Daniel T. Cille, by Annie Towle	50.00	"		5.04	1.10	1.25	4.89
1922	John and Salome Babo, by Annie Towle	50.00	"		11.22	1.22	1.00	11.44
1924	Hilton Goodloe, by Mrs. C. H. Kemp Hall	75.00	"		14.22	1.78	1.25	14.75
1926	John C. and Martha Hall, by Chas. S. Hall	200.00	"		61.71	5.22	2.42	64.51
1926	Andrew and Daniel Hall, by Frank Hall and Benjamin G. Hall	100.00	"		14.53	2.28	2.17	14.64
1927	John C. and Martha Hall, by Chas. S. Hall	100.00	"		6.35	2.12	2.17	6.30
1929	Ayres and Holmes, by Flora Hill	200.00	"		29.71	4.40	2.79	22.32
1929	Ayres and Holmes, by John Yeaton and E. J. Sherburne	200.00	"		39.58	4.78	4.78	42.86
1929	Warren Tripp, by self							

	In	Savings	Bank						
1929 Katherine Cook, by self	100.00	"	"	6.71	2.12	2.17	6.66		
1931 Lawrence and Cox, by Joseph Lawrence and Eva L. Cox.....	200.00	"	"	13.10	4.26	0.00	17.36		
1933 Joseph Lawrence, by Joseph Lawrence	"	"	"	8.07	2.16	0.00	10.23		
1934 William Babb, by Charles Babb	"	"	"	0.85	2.00	1.50	1.35		
1935 Augusta A. Fisk, by self	"	"	"	4.03	4.04	4.03	4.04		
1936 Daniel S. Jones, by Geo. E. Miller	"	"	"	10.74	2.20	1.30	11.44		
1937 Yeaton Fund, by Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Yeaton and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Yeaton	"	"	"	100.00	"	0.97	2.00	2.00	0.97
1938 Joseph B. Cass and George S. Bixby, by E. M. Bixby Estate.....	"	"	"	100.00	"	0.00	2.00	1.00	0.25
1938 Unknown Soldier's lot, by E. M. Bixby Estate	"	"	"	50.00	"	0.50	1.00	0.50	1.00
1941 Capt. Arthur C. Locke and Frances T. Locke, by Mary J. V. Towle	"	"	"	200.00	"	4.20	4.08	3.17	5.11
1942 Hilliard Fund, by Oscar A. Hilliard	"	"	"	200.00	"	1.23	3.34	2.00	2.57
1943 Frank Rand, by self, for care of lot and flowers on Memorial Day	"	"	"	400.00	"	6.00	8.06	6.00	8.06
1944 Clarence H. Sanborn, by Madeline L. Sanborn and Mabel M. Towle	"	"	"	100.00	"	0.00	1.33	1.00	0.33
1944 Walter J. and Mary E. O' philbrick, by Waldo H. Quimby	"	"	"	200.00	"	0.00	2.67	1.00	1.67
1944 Charles McC. Steele, by Charles McC. Steele and James McC. Steele	"	"	"	100.00	"	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1924 Mary A. Evans, for painting and general upkeep of iron fence at South Side of McClary Cemetery.....	N. H.	Savings	Bank	229.66	"	32.82	5.24	1.00	37.06
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For benefit of Epson Public Library									
1907 Benjamin F. Webster, by self	Rec'd in Bond	1,000.00	4%	0.00	0.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	0.00
1916 Susan E. P. Forbes, by self	In Savings Bank	2,000.00	2%	0.00	0.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	0.00
1917 Mary A. Evans, by self	"	500.00	"	0.00	0.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	0.00
1926 Charles S. Hall, by self	"	"	"	200.00	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	0.00
1929 Warren Tripp, by self	"	"	"	200.00	"	0.00	4.00	4.00	0.00

Epson, N. H., January 5, 1945.

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.
WARREN T. FOWLER,
ELEANORA C. NUTTER,
OLAF A. RING,

Trustees

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Trustees of the Trust Funds of the Town of Epsom and find them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

LEWIS H. NUTTER,
RUSSELL S. YEATON,
Auditors

Epson, N. H., January 22, 1945.

**REPORT OF CEMETERY TRUSTEES
1944**

Receipts

Balance on hand	\$14.61
Received from Selectmen	16.92
Received from Trustees of Trust Funds	63.60
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	\$95.13

Expenditures

Care of lots and fence	\$63.60
Paid for mowing and raking	29.00
Paid for upkeep of yard	2.00
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	\$94.60
Cash in bank	.53
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	\$95.13

Respectfully submitted,

WARREN T. FOWLER,
ELEANORA C. NUTTER,
OLAF A. RING,

Cemetery Trustees.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Cemetery Trustees of the Town of Epsom and find them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

LEWIS H. NUTTER,
RUSSELL S. YEATON,

Epsom, N. H., Jan. 22, 1945

Auditors.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE EPSOM PUBLIC LIBRARY

With regret, in September, the Trustees accepted the resignation of our efficient librarian, Miss Hester E. Bickford; we are fortunate in having Miss Yeaton as her successor.

A book deposit slot drop has been installed alongside the front door of the Library, for the convenience of those who wish to return books at hours when the Library is not open.

The Trustees have considered the inadequate heating facilities of the otherwise convenient and comfortable Library building. They are looking into the possibility of installing double windows and supplementary heating facilities.

The Trustees hope the citizens of our Town will take increasing advantage of the large and excellent list of books and reference volumes which make our Library an institution of which we can be very proud.

GEORGE G. RING,
FLORENCE L. YEATON,
RALPH E. TOWLE,

Trustees

FINANCIAL STATEMENT EPSOM PUBLIC LIBRARY

Receipts

Balance on hand January 31, 1944	\$122.93
Town of Epsom	200.00
Trustees of Trust Funds	95.60
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	\$418.53

Expenditures

Concord Electric Co.	\$11.00
Wood	8.00
Magazines	10.75
Janitor	25.00
Librarians	75.00
Labor	6.72
Books	141.49
	—————
	\$277.96
Balance on hand	140.57
	—————
	\$418.53

Library Endowment Funds

Mary A. Evans fund	\$500.00
Benjamin F. Webster fund	1,000.00
Susan E. P. Forbes fund	2,000.00
Charles Summer Hall fund	200.00
Warren Tripp fund	200.00
	—————
	\$3,900.00

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

To the Board of Trustees of Epsom Public Library:
 The librarian submits the following report:

Total number of accessioned volumes,

January 31, 1944	5,537
Books purchased during the year	77

Total number of accessioned volumes,

January 31, 1945	5,614
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Circulation figures for 1944:

Adult fiction	1,138
Juvenile fiction	615
Adult non-fiction	345
Juvenile non-fiction	122
Magazines	238

	2,458

Cash Account

Receipts:

Cash on hand, January 31, 1944	\$.56
Sale of discards and papers	6.45
Fines	1.67

	\$8.68

Expenditures:

Handbook	\$.65
Postage	1.15
Framing medal	.25
Reprint	.49
Filing folders	2.00

	\$4.54
Balance on hand Jan. 31, 1945	\$4.14

Our book collection has been supplemented by books from the State Library brought by the bookmobile. A number of books from the library have been loaned to the Epsom Baptist Church for their Missionary Reading Library.

Respectfully submitted,

HESTER E. BICKFORD,
Librarian, (resigned)
MARJORIE A. YEATON,
Acting Librarian.

**REPORT OF ALBERT J. YEATON, CHIEF OF
POLICE, EPSOM, N. H.**

Paid:

Clarence E. Bartlett	\$15.55
Arthur H. Sullivan	9.20
Percy E. Hall	5.00
Albert J. Yeaton	59.20
Idella B. Jenness	.50
	—————
	\$89.45

Received:

From Town of Epsom, N. H.	\$100.00
Balance from last year	.83
	—————
	\$100.83

Balance in my hands, Dec. 31, 1944 \$11.38

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT J. YEATON

REPORT OF HEALTH OFFICER

Year Ending December 31, 1944

Salary—for reporting diseases and general duties	\$5.00
Inspecting and posting 3 dumps	8.00
Cleaning up 2 places	4.00
Paid John P. Yeaton	1.50
Quarantining and supervision of infectious houses	5.00
Telephone calls	.30
	—————
	\$23.80

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE E. BARTLETT,
Health Officer.

REPORT OF EPSOM VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

For Year Ending December 31, 1944

I submit herewith the annual report of the Epsom Volunteer Fire Department.

Regular meetings were held in the most part to carry on the business of the department. The annual supper was held at the November meeting.

Under the fire code and laws of the State of New Hampshire, we have made the necessary inspections regarding the protection of life and property from fire damage. The town of Epsom is one of the few towns which has not suffered serious fire loss during the year, and with your co-operation we hope to keep up this record.

The calls we made were for chimney fires where little or no damage resulted. The Fire Department has not forgotten its members nor other town boys in the service, and we are with them 100 percent.

Financial Statement

Concord Electric Company	\$36.00
George H. Yeaton	5.00
John H. Foster, State Forester	1.20
Farmers' Exchange, coal	52.53
Silver & Young	4.35
Louis Hill, janitor service	40.00
Epsom Garage, repairs, gasoline	32.24
Clarence E. Bartlett, service and telephone calls	15.36
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Total cash paid	\$186.68

Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1944	\$26.43
Received from Town Treasurer	200.00
	—————
	\$226.43
Cash paid out	186.68
	—————
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1944	\$39.75

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE E. BARTLETT,
Chief Epsom Volunteer Fire Dept.

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We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts
of the Chief of the Epsom Fire Department and find
them correct and supported by proper vouchers.

LEWIS H. NUTTER,
RUSSELL S. YEATON,
Auditors.

HELP THE WAR EFFORT BY PREVENTING FOREST FIRES

NO ONE is exempt from helping to win the war! **EVERYONE**, regardless of age, has his or her place in the overall effort! Some men, because of age are called upon to bear arms; man ships, submarines and planes; minister to the injured and maintain morale. Women, in larger numbers, are serving with the armed forces as nurses and members of the several women's military organizations — WACS, WAVES, SPARS, etc. War industry has taken millions of men and women whose accomplishments have been the marvel of the world. Civilians at home are doubling up on their activities because of the shortage in manpower, purchasing bonds, assisting in numerous patriotic undertakings, maintaining home morale and, on the whole, carrying on with a cheerfulness and determination that is typically American. Yet, despite the time, thought and effort we are all putting into the war effort in general, we are, true to our peculiar American characteristics, heedless and careless about many important things and one of these is FIRE as it relates to our forests.

Much harm can be done the war effort because of our carelessness with fire. Lumber has gone to war in a **BIG WAY!** Our New Hampshire forests are contributing their full share insofar as manpower permits. Fire, the greatest enemy of the forests, destroys, during each of these critical years, hundreds of acres of valuable trees that could contribute to the war effort. Forest fires disrupt the war's business by taking men from their important work in industry and on the farm and reduces production of necessary war materials and food. Forest Fires require the spending of much money and material that might otherwise be diverted into

vital war channels. Forest fires, are, for the most part, unnecessary and avoidable for ninety-eight percent of such fires are, annually, the result of human carelessness — yours and mine. This can and should be remedied — NOW! YOU CAN HELP THE WAR EFFORT by PREVENTING FOREST FIRES! The rules of the game are simple.

1. *Always* be careful with fire in or near woodlands.
2. Comply with regulations governing the use or starting of fires there. Remember
 - a You need written permission from your local forest fire warden for debris burning fires when the ground is not covered with snow.
 - b Be sure your match, cigar, cigarette and pipe ashes are OUT before dropping them.
3. Be fire-minded NOW as never before; be careful; caution others to be careful; be cooperative and thus help your warden, your town, your nation and yourself!

HELP THE WAR EFFORT BY PREVENTING FOREST FIRES

The 1944 fire record for our town is:

Number of fires	5
Acreage burned	149½
Number of permits issued	9

ARTHUR H. SULLIVAN,
Forest Fire Warden.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD
For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1944

Received as per Treasurer's report	\$13,555.57
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Payments

Salaries of District Officers	\$110.00
Superintendent's excess salary	161.73
Truant officer and school census	20.00
Expenses of administration	34.26
Teachers' salaries	2,754.99
Text books	159.99
Scholars' supplies	130.00
Flags and appurtenances	6.60
Other expenses of instruction	40.98
Janitor service	150.00
Fuel	183.00
Water, lights and janitor supplies	57.24
Minor repairs and expenses	831.31
Medical inspection and health supervision	225.00
Transportation of pupils	2,900.00
High school and academy tuition	3,545.74
Elementary school tuition	442.00
Other special activities	15.00
Tax for state wide supervision	312.00
Insurance	56.80
New equipment	97.20
On account of refund	20.00
Total payments	<hr/> \$12,253.84
Balance on hand June 30, 1944	\$1,301.73

Payments in Detail

Pembroke Water Works	\$22.00
Concord Electric Co.	34.50
Eugene Call, repairs at Gossville and Short Falls	374.62
Willard E. Cookson, repairs and plumbing at Gossville	212.47
Holt & Brown Co., curtains at Gossville	32.81
Albert J. Yeaton, moving seats	2.00
Clarence Bartlett, labor and supplies	3.40
Richard Hodges, cleaning Center School yard	.75
Philip B. Adams, lights and labor, Gossville	54.45
John Boyce, repairing desks	1.00
John B. Yeaton, hauling wood, cleaning yard	9.50
Bailey Lumber Co., supplies for repairs	98.24
Ethel Murch, teaching, Gossville	884.10
Katherine Knight, teaching, Gossville	720.00
Verna Hunt, teaching, Short Falls	825.80
Nettie Yeaton, substitute, Gossville	5.00
Margery Yeaton, substitute, Short Falls	10.55
Mrs. Albert Ordway, substitute, Short Falls	36.94
N. H. Hospitalization Service (Blue Cross)	9.00
Collector of Internal Revenue, income tax withheld	263.60
Jesse A. Hunt, transportation of pupils	1,400.00
James B. Osborne, transportation of pupils	1,200.00
Samuel W. Marston, transportation of pupils	300.00
Adonia Douillette, school nurse	225.00
Henry L. Stevens, insurance	56.80
The Farmington News, supplies	9.25
American Education Press, text books and supplies	36.50
Silver Burdett Co., text books	5.79
American Book Co., books	.93

Allyn & Bacon, books	.92
Dickerman & Co., supplies	22.00
D. C. Heath & Co., books	4.10
Edson C. Eastman Co., vouchers and report pads	9.15
Charles W. T. Willson, treasurer Share Union expenses	16.71
Pembroke Academy, tuition	3,244.96
Union School District, Concord, tuition	200.00
Coe-Brown Northwood Academy, tuition	100.78
Pittsfield School District elementary tuition	315.00
Chichester School District, elementary tuition	127.00
Whittemores, books	2.10
Ralph E. Whitman, books	22.00
The Grolier Society, Inc., books	2.25
Stevens Radio Shop, repairs on school radio	5.55
Silver & Young, supplies	12.70
John C. Winston Co., books	11.77
Pan American Union, books	1.00
George H. Yeaton, repairs, labor and money paid	10.74
Warren T. Fowler, labor, supplies and truckling	30.60
J. L. Hammett Co., desks, chairs, supplies	99.72
The MacMillan Co., books and supplies	22.39
Edward E. Babb Co., books and supplies	87.71
Doubleday-Doran & Co., books	1.13
Barnes & Noble Co., books	1.52
World Book Co., books	8.58
Dewyer-Geppert Co., books	1.63
Amy K. Bartlett, postage and envelopes	5.98
George H. Yeaton, janitor service	50.00
Ada Yeaton, janitor service	50.00
Howard S. Allen, Jr., janitor service	50.00
Hazel M. Yeaton, express charges, postage	1.15

Jesse A. Hunt, fuel and other expenses while using home for school	20.00
N. H. State Treasurer, per capita tax	312.00
Jackman & Lang, treasurer's bond	5.00
Charles W. T. Willson, Supt's excess salary	161.73
Ernest Dowst, wood for Gosserville and Short Falls	154.00
Concord Lumber Co., kindling	3.00
George Ring, overpayment (refunded)	20.00
Ginn & Co., text books	25.56
Bobbs-Merrill Co., text books	1.56
Laidlaw Bros., text books	2.00
The Arlo Pub. Co., books	6.16
Houghton-Mifflin Co., text books, supplies	4.75
Beckley Cardy Co., text books	2.76
Frontier Press Co., text books	21.48
Scott Foresman & Co., books	.69
L. W. Singer Co., text books	2.87
Warren Fowler, salary, school board	45.00
Hazel Yeaton, salary, school board	25.00
Doris Philbrick, salary, school board	25.00
George Ring, truant officer	20.00
Amy K. Bartlett, treasurer	15.00
Hazel Yeaton, flowers and ribbon for graduation	5.25
Bridge & Byron, programs for graduation	7.89
Evergreen Lodge, I.O.O.F., hall for graduation	3.00
Hazel Yeaton, music for graduation	10.00
Total	\$12,253.84

Assets

Balance in hand of Treasurer, June 30, 1944 \$1,301.73

Respectfully submitted,

HAZEL M. YEATON,
DORIS A. PHILBRICK
RUSSELL S. YEATON,

School Board of Epsom.

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books and other financial records of the School Board of Epsom, of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1944, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

ELEANORA C. NUTTER,
Auditor.

July 10, 1944

**REPORT OF TREASURER OF
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1944

Cash on hand, June 30, 1943	\$475.29
Received from Town Treasurer:	
Appropriations for current year	\$10,533.88
Balance, previous appropriation	100.00
Dog tax	193.48
	\$10,827.36
Received from State Treasurer	\$1,999.42
Received from all other sources	253.50
	\$13,555.57
Total amount available for fiscal year	\$13,555.57
Less School Board orders paid	12,253.84
	\$1,301.73
Balance June 30, 1944	

AMY K. BARTLETT,
District Treasurer.

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the Treasurer of the School District of Epsom, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1944, and find them correct in all respects.

ELEANORA C. NUTTER,

July 10, 1944

Auditor.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens of Epsom:

The present organization of the schools is as follows:

<i>School</i>	<i>Grades</i>	<i>Teacher</i>	<i>Pupils</i>
Gossville Primary	I-III	Mrs. Katherine C. Knight	26
Gossville Grammar	IV-VI	Mrs. Ethel F. Murch	35
Short Falls	VII-VIII	Mrs. Verna M. Hunt	20
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Total			81

The frame for educational changes after the war is even now being planned. Many members of the services are already taking government correspondence courses from the Armed Forces Institute. The "G. I. Bill of Rights" contains liberal provision for re-educating the handicapped veterans and completing the education of those who might have been studying in schools and colleges except for their induction. Educational leaders are advocating the raising of the compulsory school attendance age limit to 18 years, with public education available on the junior college level or in regional trade schools. It is likely that a considerable amount of work-experience for young people will be combined with their academic training, as time goes on.

In our own state, some of the forward steps in school policy advocated by superintendents include minimum salary limit for teachers, state aid for rural high school transportation, restoration of an adequate number of supervisory unions, fixing of salaries of State Board of Education administrative officers by the Board itself, and retirement provision for superintendents as well as other state employees. Many of these measures could be provided for in an orderly way by means of the allocation of a reasonable millage proportion of the

state tax for state aid to school districts and the other needs of state-wide public education.

After the war, it is more than likely that the government will require a year of universal military training. Shall this be a full year of strictly military training at some fixed time, say age 17 regardless of high school graduation, or will there be an option as to time, place, auspices, and type of training? Shall this requirement include girls as well as boys, and will it make provision for the 40% of rejectees as well as those who are fit? Will all training be in military establishments, or will at least part of it be in civilian schools and colleges, factories, business establishments, hospitals, and summer camps? Will the program provide for a wide class of subjects valuable in both military and civil life, such as science and mathematics, languages, vocational and technical training, aeronautics, radio, nursing, information, and supply? Will the federal government utilize local facilities and encourage further development of state programs, or will it go to the tremendous expense of setting up and maintaining a parallel system of education? It is for the American people to discuss these questions and make their wishes known.

Shortly after my last report, a set of books entitled "Wonders of Animal Life" was graciously presented to the Gossvalle School by Mrs. Mary Jones Smith as a tribute to the remarkable life and personality of her late husband, the Reverend Robert A. Smith.

As a defense project, the school this fall collected 26 bags of milkweed pods for life-jackets used at sea.

Respectfully submitted,

CHESTER W. DOE,

Superintendent of Schools

January 20, 1945

Honor Roll of Perfect Attendance for the Year 1943-44

Alfred Bickford, William Bickford, Shirley Mack.

School Statistics, Year Ending June 30, 1944

Whole number of pupils registered	98
Not previously registered in N. H.	
Boys	39
Girls	40
Half-day schools in session	352
Aggregate attendance	26,369
Aggregate absence	2,097
Average attendance	74.90
Average absence	5.96
Per cent of attendance	92.62
Number of tardinesses	134
Pupils neither absent nor tardy	3
Pupils transported at district expense (elementary)	77
Tuition paid by district elsewhere	
Elementary	9
Secondary	36
Visits made by superintendent	69
Visits made by school board members	8
Visits made by parents and others	127

Pupils Attending High School, 1944-45

PEMBROKE ACADEMY: XII Helen Ambrose, James Bates, Raymond Fife, Joan Hendrickson, Velma Monroe, Elsie Yeaton, Grace Yeaton, Phyllis Yeaton; XI Bradford Allen, Leonard Batchelder, Richard Fowler, Gladys Jaworski, Donald Monroe, Henry Munroe, Eris Yeaton, Robert Yeaton; X Pauline Ambrose, John Bates, Lennie Bickford, William Brown, Rosalie Clark, Ruth Hodges, Virginia Huckins, Elizabeth Mason,

Henry Stevens, Norma Wells, Glenna Yeaton, Philip Yeaton; IX Robert Bartlett, Charles Elliott, Melvin Johnson, Shirley Mosher, Edna Munroe, Elizabeth Yeaton, Patricia Yeaton, Samuel Yeaton; CONCORD: XI Gordon Ashley; X Robert W. Pauling; IX Beverly Ashley; COE-BROWN NORTHWOOD ACADEMY: XI Ella Palmer.

Proposed School Calendar 1945-46

Tues., Sept. 4-Fri., Dec. 21 (Less 2 days at Thanksgiving)	15 weeks and 2 days
Wed., Jan. 2-Fri., Feb. 15	6 weeks and 3 days
Mon., Feb. 25-Fri., Apr. 19	8 weeks and 3 days
Mon., Apr. 29-Wed., June 12	6 weeks and 3 days
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	36 weeks and 3 days

No School Days

Oct. 18, 19, Teachers' Convention

May 30, Memorial Day

ANNUAL HEALTH SUMMARY FOR THE
DISTRICT OF EPSOM

Number of children examined	84
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<i>Defects Found</i>	<i>Corrected</i>
Vision, 5	3
Teeth, 42	17
Tonsils, 4	2
Breathing, 4	
Adenoids, 4	2
Enlarged Glands, 6	
Underweights, 10%, 15	

Cases of Communicable Diseases

Chicken Pox	19
Measles	1
Skin Diseases	I

Clinics

Examined by Dr. Kerr

T. B., 2	May—Held at Pembroke
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Examined by Dr. Brown

Eye, 1	June—Hanover
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ADONIA A. DOUILLETTE, R.N.

GRADUATION EXERCISES EPSOM GRAMMAR
SCHOOL

L. O. O. F. Hall, June 21, 1944

Program

Selection	Orchestra
Invocation	Rev. Donald Macomber
Address of Welcome	Elizabeth Yeaton
Song—"Flow Gently, Sweet Afton"	
	Shirley Mosher, Patricia Yeaton
Class Will	Richard Riley
"The Constitution Comes to Life"	
Boy	Sameul Bickford
Columbia	Naida Wells
Preamble	Robert Palmer
Article I	Dana Yeaton
Article II	Robert Bartlett
Article III	Elizabeth Yeaton
Article IV	Beverly Ashley
Article V	Charles Elliott
Article VI	Melvin Johnson
	Property Man—Howard Allen, Jr.
Bill of Rights	
Richard Riley, Robert Hodges, Lois Hall, Edna Munroë, Jean Clark, Shirley Mosher, Richard Hodges, Carleton Rand, Caroline Roddy, Patricia Yeaton	
"Minutemen of Our Wars"	Eighth Grade
Class Song	Eighth Grade
Farewell Address	Robert Hodges
Presentation of Diplomas	
	Superintendent Chester W. Doe
Selection	Orchestra

Parts Awarded by Vote of the Class

EPSOM EIGHTH GRADE 1944

Robert Edward Bartlett	Beverly June Ashley
Charles Joseph Elliott	Shirley Mae Mosher
Robert William Hodges	Edna Geneva Munroe
Melvin Arthur Johnson	Elizabeth Jane Yeaton
Richard David Riley	Patricia Yeaton
Samuel Dana Yeaton	

CLASS OFFICERS

Class President	Patricia Yeaton
Class Secretary	Robert Bartlett
Class Motto	"Work to Win"
Class Colors	Green and White
Class Flowers	Red Rose
Marshal	Lois Hall

VITAL STATISTICS

Births Registered in the Town of Epsom, for the Year ending December 31, 1944.

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child (if any)	Name of Father	Maiden name of Mother	Residence of parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
		Sex	No. of Child	Color	Color of parents	Teamster	Farmer	London
Dec. 28	Concord	Ruth Bell	Kenneth K. Barton	Emily P. Marston	Epsom	Painter	Epsom	New Brunswick, N. J.
Jan. 18	Concord	Lorraine Evelyn	Ira Fred Kimball	Gladys E. Frost	Epsom	Teamster	Epsom	Concord
Jan. 22	Concord	Sheldon Percy	Percy E. Hall	Lorraine R. Keeley	Epsom	Painter	Epsom	London
Feb. 11	Concord	Marsha Arleen	W. L. 1	W. L. 3	Charla E. Maxfield	Lumberman	Epsom	Loudon
Mar. 8	Pittsfield	Paul Dudley	F. L. 4	W. L. 1	Guy V. Pike	Lumberman	Lynn, Mass.	Henniker
Mar. 11	Epsom	Barbara Jean	M. L. 2	W. L. 3	John D. Davis	Florence E. Fisher	Epsom	Epsom
Apr. 3	Pittsfield	Barbara William	F. L. 1	W. L. 3	Clyde H. Gauthier	Frances L. Ambrose	Haverhill	Epsom
May 31	Champaign, Ill.	Gregory Morrill, Jr.	M. L. 1	W. L. 1	Donald W. Riley	Arlene F. Ambrose	Bever, Me.	Epsom
June 29	Concord	Richard William	F. S. 1	W. S. 1	Gregory M. Hurd	Hein H. Hostetter	Newport	Vintage, Pa.
June 22	Wolfboro	Leona Goldie	M. L. 4	W. L. 1	Milton F. Pearson	Louise D. Barlow	Clerk	Laconia
Sept. 4	Concord	Judith Rae	F. L. 1	W. L. 5	Robert W. Hunt	Ruth L. Elias	U. S. Navy	Meredith
Nov. 28	Concord	Rebecca	F. L. 3	W. L. 3	Curt F. Sinclair	Goldie M. Emmons	Lumberman	Hedge Park, Mass.
Dec. 19	Epsom	Douglas Leroy	M. L. 6	W. L. 3	Ernest F. Clark	Ethel B. Hutchinson	Tilton	Boston, Mass.
		Carolyn Elizabeth	F. L. 1	W. L. 3	Howard S. Allen	Frances Bryant	Concord	Southbridge, Mass.
					Robert H. Cass	Marilyn L. Bartlett	Malden	Boston, Mass.
					Lloyd E. Kimball	Epsom	Ryegate	Epsom
					Ruth H. Yeaton	Epsom	Vt.	Ryegate, Vt.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

HAZEL P. STEELE, Town Clerk.

Marriages Registered in the Town of Epsom, for the Year ending December 31, 1944.

Date of marriage	Place of marriage	Name and surname of groom and bride	Residence at time of marriage	Age	Color	Occupation of groom and bride	Place of birth of each	Names of parents	Birthplace of parents	Occupation	No. of marriages	Name, residence and official station of persons by whom married
												B. & M. R.R.
1943	Sept. 7	Concord	Herbert F. Rothwell	Pembroke	19 W	U. S. Army	Concord	George E. Rothwell	Grafton	Housewife	1	Rev. Guy E. Mark Concord
		Marianne E. Heidmann	Epsom	Weaver	18 W		Zelia M. Tyler	Albert H. Heidmann	Concord	Farmer	1	
1944	Jan. 27	Concord	Donald W. Riley	Deerfield	26 W	Farmer	Brewer, Me.	William P. Riley	Hartland, N. B.	Farmer	1	
		Arlene F. Ambrose	Epsom	Watson T. Ambrose	21 W	At Home	Epsom	Julia Gagnon	Fort Kent, Me.	Housewife	1	John W. Stanley Concord
Mar.	18	Pembroke	Henry Dowst, Jr.	Epsom	23 W	U. S. Army	West Haven	Helen C. Ordway	Epsom	Farmer	1	Justice of Peace
		Robert C. Gross	Conway	Henry Dowst			[Conn.] Emma Douth	Henry Dowst	Manchester	Housewife	1	
Apr.	15	Allenstown	Kenneth Warren	Manchester	31 W	R. R. Emp.	Manchester	Charles E. Cross	W. Haven, Conn.	U. S. Govt.	1	
		Genevieve Jaworski	Epsom	Salem, Mass.	32 W	Waitress	Leo Jawsorski	Josephine Duszynska	W. Haven	Housewife	1	
June	10	Concord	Alphonse Plourde	Epsom	20 W	Merchant	Pembroke	Philip Plourde	Kingfield, Me.	Housewife	1	
		Gwendolyn P. Elliott	Pembroke	Elliott	18 W	At Home	Concord	Delphine Boudreau	Kingfield, Me.	Laborer	1	
June	21	Epsom	George S. Chapman	Exeter	21 W	Truck Driver	Exeter	Percy K. Elliott	Epsom	Retired	1	
		Rose M. Macomber	Epsom	Manchester	20 W	Waitress	Manchester	Loella Perkins	Danville	Canada	1	
Oct.	14	Hooksett	Victor Fleury	Pembroke	19 W	B. & M. R. R. Suncook	Stratham	George E. Chapman	Poland	Farmer	1	
		Arlene Clark	Epsom	Cashier	19 W		Stratham	Edith M. Wentworth	Poland	Housewife	1	
Oct.	28	Chichester	Elmer H. Palmer	Epsom	21 W	U. S. Army	Epsom	Esther Hannan	Middleboro, Ms.	Machinist	1	
		Mabel V. Jones	Epsom	Domestic	22 W		Epsom	Charles Fleury	Bristol, Conn.	Ship Fitter	1	
								Levia Desmarais	Suncook	At Home	1	
								Carroll Clark	Pittsfield	At Home	1	
								Viola Stockbridge	Iaonia	Ship Fitter	1	
								Elmer H. Palmer	Epsom	At Home	1	
								Ether L. Watchouse	Owen C. Jones	Domestic	1	
								Sadie B. Higgins	Pensacola, Fla.	Chichester	1	

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

HAZEL P. STEELE, Town Clerk

Deaths Registered in the Town of Epsom, for the Year ending December 31, 1944.

Date of death	Place of death	Name and surname of the deceased	Place of birth	Place of birth		Occupation	Father	Mother	Name of Father	Maiden name of Mother
				Sex	Age	Days	Months	Years		
1944				M	W	M	Retired	... Northwood	... Wakefield	Sylvester Edgerly
+Jan. 5	Dearfield	Rufus F. Kimball	95 11 20	F	W	N	Housewife	Pembroke	Pembroke	Grace B. Batchelder
Jan. 15	Concord	David B. Edgerly	88	M	W	M	Retired	... Allenstown	... Deerfield	Sarah Allen
Mar. 20	Concord	Kidder Libby	72	M	W	S	Teacher	Epsom	... Sandwich	Rosette Langley
+Mar. 20 E.	Stroudsburg [Pa.]	Nellie S. Towle	66 9 4	F	W	S	Farmer	... Epsom	... Deerfield, Ill.	Jennie Lay
Mar. 24	Epsom	Madeleine L. Yeaton	40 5 2	F	W	N	Housewife	... Pembroke	... Pembroke	Willie C. Rose
*Apr. 24	Epsom	Francis M. Weaver	36 0 4	M	W	M	U.S. Army	... Bryan, Tex.	... Bryan, Tex.	George H. Hunold
*Apr. 24	Epsom	William G. Hunold	22 1 21	M	W	S	U.S. Army	... Brooklyn, N.Y.	... Brooklyn, N.Y.	Dorothy W.
*Apr. 24	Epsom	Lloyd E. Udrey	25 0 2	M	W	S	U.S. Army	... Mt. Vernon, Ind.	... Mt. Vernon, Ind.	Walter Utley
*Apr. 24	Epsom	John L. Eddins	26 3 12	M	W	S	U.S. Army	... Mooringstart, Tex.	... Mooringstart, Tex.	Walter M. Eddins
*Apr. 24	Epsom	Marvin M. Rupp	26 5 17	M	W	M	U.S. Army	... Winfield, Kan.	... Winfield, Kan.	[Kan.] Butler Co., Kan.
*Apr. 24	Epsom	Marion L. Wolfgang	23 1 4	M	W	S	U.S. Army	... Rantoul, Ill.	... Rantoul, Ill.	Harry L. Rupp
*Apr. 24	Epsom	Anthony L. Ferrone	27 4 5	M	W	S	U.S. Army	... New York, N.Y.	... New York, N.Y.	Mary R. McConley
*Apr. 24	Epsom	Joseph H. Neglie	23 5 21	M	W	S	U.S. Army	... Newark, Ohio	... Newark, Ohio	Carmela _____
*Apr. 24	Epsom	Ardath K. Gannon	28 3 25	M	W	S	U.S. Army	... Rockwell City, Iowa	... Rockwell City, Iowa	Myrtle B.
*Apr. 24	Epsom	James H. Jones	21 10 7	M	W	S	U.S. Army	... Bedford County, Pa.	... Bedford County, Pa.	Kathryn Margaret _____
*Apr. 24	Concord	Mabel F. Crocker	69 10 5	M	W	S	U.S. Army	... Virginia City, Nev.	... Virginia City, Nev.	Lucy Ellen Hale
*Apr. 24	Plaistow	Etta M. Davis	84 4 26	F	W	M	Housewife	... Manchester	... Manchester	Levi Cass Allentown
+Apr. 5	Concord	Carrie L. Locke	88 8 13	F	W	M	Farmer	... Epsom	... Epsom	Eliza B. Philbrick Bradford
*May 22	Concord	George H. Philbrick	77 2 23	F	W	M	Housewife	... Epsom	... Epsom	George W. Francis Deerfield
*June 6	Manchester	Martha F. Dowst	54 6 19	F	W	M	Housewife	... Concord	... Concord	David Philbrick Horace Fowler
*Sept. 7	Epsom	Amy E. L. Philbrick	71 1 2	F	W	M	Housewife	... Fitchburg, Mass.	... Fitchburg, Mass.	Edwin Lull Allenstown
Sept. 11	Manchester	Alice F. Knox	61 9 12	F	W	M	Housewife	... Fitchburg, Mass.	... Fitchburg, Mass.	Lawin H. Pratt
*Sept. 13	Epsom	Chloe M. Haynes	66 7 12	F	W	M	Housewife	... Epsom	... Epsom	Charles R. Burthum
*Sept. 15	Concord	Baby Boy Shores	One hr.	F	W	S	Concord	... Concord	... Concord	Folger A. Shores
*Dec. 23	Somersworth	Floyd C. Raub	52 9 12	M	W	M	Die Sinker	... Die Sinker	... Die Sinker	William Raub, N.J.

† Brought to Epsom for burial.
* Buried elsewhere.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

HAZEL P. STEELE, Town Clerk



